

REMARKS

In the above-mentioned Office Action, the abstract was objected to, some of the claims were rejected as being indefinite, some of the claims were rejected as being anticipated by Casagrande (5,782,497), some of the claims were rejected as anticipated by Oliver et al (5,632,842), some of the claims were rejected as unpatentable over Klein (5,198,275) in view of Oliver et al (5,632,842), some of the claims were rejected as unpatentable over Klein in view of Oliver and further in view of Hickenbotham et al (4,704,317), some of the claims were rejected over Klein in view of Oliver and further in view of Carlson (5,842,722), some of the claims were rejected as being unpatentable over Casagrande (5,782,497) in view of Klein (5,198,275), and one of the claims was rejected as being unpatentable over Casagrande. In response thereto, all of the claims have been cancelled and new claims 100-138 have been added.

These new claims include only a single independent claim (claim 100). This claim is patentable over the prior art of record including the prior art cited by the examiner, Applicants' respectfully contend. Claim 100 is directed to a sheet of printable business cards which includes a cardstock sheet construction and a solid continuous liner sheet releasably secured with adhesive to and covering a backside of the cardstock sheet construction. Continuous through-cut lines through the cardstock sheet construction define at least in part perimeter edges of printable business cards. These are not perf lines but are clean (die) cut lines. Thus, after the sheet has been passed through a printer or copier and the desired indicia printed on the cards, the cards can be peeled off of the sheet with a substantially tack-free back side because an ultraremovable adhesive was used.


All of the new claims read on the elected Group. Only a single independent claim is now pending and the species are not so divergent that the issuance of a species requirement is required (and its associated prosecution delays).

A shorter Abstract more specifically directed to the invention as not claimed has been substituted.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the claims are all patentable and issuance of the Notice of Allowance at an early date is in order. If there are any questions or remaining issues, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone counsel to seek to resolve them.

Any fees which are required in connection with this Amendment are authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-2230.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Douglas N. Larson", written over a horizontal line.

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